## **Amendments to the Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) Displaceable optics in microscope illumination, such as a displaceable collector, comprising:

an outer guide sleeve;

a cylindrical optics housing which slides in the guide sleeve; and

Teflon strips being provided between the optics housing and guide sleeve for flexible centering of the optics.

- 2. (Original) Displaceable optics according to claim 1, wherein the Teflon strips are arranged parallel to the displacing direction of the optics housing.
- 3. (Original) Displaceable optics according to claim 1, wherein Teflon strips are provided in pairs opposite one another.
- 4. (Original) Displaceable optics according to claim 1, wherein an odd or even quantity of Teflon strips are uniformly distributed over the circumference of the optics housing.
- 5. (Original) Displaceable optics according to claim 4, wherein three Teflon strips are provided at a 120-degree offset relative to one another with respect to the circumference.
- 6. (Original) Displaceable optics according to claim 1, wherein the Teflon strips are arranged at the guide sleeve.
- 7. (Original) Displaceable optics according to claim 1, wherein the Teflon strips are arranged at the optics housing.
- 8. (Original) Displaceable optics according to claim 1, wherein the Teflon strips are glued on.

9. (New) In a microscope for examining a sample, a displaceable optics in microscope illumination, comprising:

an outer guide sleeve;

a cylindrical optics housing which slides in the guide sleeve and which is adapted to receive illumination from an illumination light source for a microscope; and Teflon strips being provided between the optics housing and guide sleeve for flexible centering of the optics.